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Applicants: K. TSUBOSAKI et al.
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING
METHOD THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 18, 1999

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 4, delete in its entirety insert -- BACKGROUND
OF THE INVENTION --;

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in - part*

line 6, after "and" insert -- the --;
line 7, delete the comma insert a semicolon, after
"and" insert a comma, after "particularly" insert
-- , the invention relates --;
line 11, delete in its entirety;
line 13, delete "less in" insert -- , of reduced --,
after "thickness" insert a comma;
line 14, after "functionalities" insert a comma,
after "is" insert -- being --;
line 16, delete "important", after "more" insert
-- important --;
line 17, delete "such";

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